Dear Religious Leader:

The results of Census 2000 will provide the basis for allocating billions of dollars in state and federal funding to programs and services vital to your community. The census is how America knows what America needs. In fact, many religious groups use the census numbers to plan for new facilities for their congregations. But if some segments of the population do not participate as much as others, they could be underrepresented in the numbers.

Census 2000 must enlist strong partners to achieve the most accurate and complete census possible. Your dedication to your congregation and your community, as well as your credibility throughout the community, makes you an ideal partner for this critical endeavor. By helping us spread the word that the census is important and safe, you will play a key role in making Census 2000 a success.

We have enclosed the following items to assist you with this request:

- A brochure entitled *What Congregations Should Know About Census 2000* describes census activities and outlines how congregations can help. It explains the benefits of an accurate census and how the Census Bureau protects individual privacy. It also provides information on Census 2000 jobs.
- Suggested announcements for religious services and other gatherings are provided. There is an announcement for each week while census activities are taking place.
- Drop-in announcements for your bulletins and newsletters are also provided. These announcements will further notify your congregation that the census is under way and that their participation is important.

If you have any questions, please contact your Census 2000 partnership coordinator listed on the back of this letter.

Thank you very much for your support and participation.

Sincerely,

Kenneth Prewitt

Director

Enclosures

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¹ If you reside in Fresno, Imperial, Inyo, Kern, Kings, Los Angeles, Madera, Mariposa, Merced, Monterey, Orange, Riverside, San Benito, San Diego, San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara, Tulare or Ventura counties, call the Los Angeles Regional Census Center (RCC). If in another California county, call the Seattle RCC.

² If you live in Bergen, Essex, Hudson, Middlesex, Morris, Passaic, Somerset, Sussex, Union or Warren counties, call the New York RCC. If in another New Jersey county, call the Philadelphia RCC.

³ If you reside in Bronx, Kings, Nassau, New York, Queens, Richmond, Rockland, Suffolk or Westchester counties, call the New York RCC. If in another county in the state, contact the Boston RCC.